



**STATE OF IDAHO  
OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF STATE  
BEN YSURSA**



Secretary of State Ben Ysursa distributes \$74,174 of Election Campaign Funds to representatives of the various political parties in the State. The Election Campaign Funds are what has been designated on the Idaho income tax form as a campaign contribution over the last two years.

**[August 7, 2006]**

Secretary of State, Ben Ysursa announced the distribution of \$74,174.00 from the Idaho Election Campaign Fund.

The Election Campaign Fund was established in 1975 and permits every individual whose income tax liability for any taxable year is \$1.00 or more to designate that \$1.00 be paid into the election campaign fund, either earmarked to a party of his choice; or to be placed in the general election fund. The fund is divided as follows:

- (1) Each party receives the amount of the fund which has been designated by the contributing individuals.
- (2) 90 percent of the general fund is distributed to the central committees of the state's political parties in proportion to the number of votes cast for each party's candidate for governor in the last gubernatorial election; however, no party may receive more than 50 percent of this amount.
- (3) Any portion of this 90 percent which is not distributed, along with the 10 percent which has been reserved, is distributed in equal portions to political parties which have qualified candidates for elective state office for the ballot in the next general election.

The largest amount ever distributed to the political parties was in 1982 when over \$154,600 was disbursed. The 2006 distribution figures are attached.

## ELECTION CAMPAIGN FUND

Title 34, Chapter 25, Idaho Code, the Election Campaign Fund, is administered by the State Board of Examiners. The following amounts for the 2006 distribution were checked off:

<u>General</u>	<u>Democrat</u>	<u>Republican</u>	<u>Libertarian</u>	<u>*Reform</u>	<u>Constitution</u>	<u>United</u>
\$11,243.00	\$27,393.00	\$28,924.00	\$2,174.00	\$38.00	\$3,915.00	\$487.00
Total:	\$74,174.00					

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According to the above formula the 2006 distribution will be as follows:

<u>Party</u>	<u>Designated</u>	<u>Undesignated</u>	<u>Total</u>
Constitution	\$ 3,915.00	\$ 354.00	\$ 4,269.00
Democrat	\$27,393.00	\$ 4,587.00	\$31,980.00
Libertarian	\$ 2,174.00	\$ 557.00	\$ 2,731.00
*Reform	\$ 38.00	\$ .00	\$ 38.00
Republican	\$28,924.00	\$ 5,429.00	\$34,353.00
United	\$ 487.00	\$ 354.00	\$ 841.00
Total			\$74,174.00

\* No longer a Political Party in Idaho the \$38.00 has been included in the distribution

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<u>Candidate</u>	<u>Percent</u>
Kempthorne	56.3
Brady	41.7